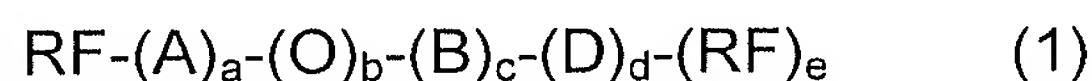


In the Claims:

1. (currently amended) A lubricant ~~intended for solid surfaces and comprising a~~ partially fluorinated compound of formula 1



~~where~~ wherein

RF is a perfluorinated radical of formula $\text{F}(\text{CF}_2)_n$,

n is a number from 1 to 20,

A is C_1 - C_{30} , ~~preferably C_4 - C_{48} , alkylene.~~

B is arylene having 6 to 14 carbon atoms or is a saturated or unsaturated monocyclic or polycyclic hydrocarbon having 3 to 30, ~~preferably 3 to 18 carbon atoms,~~

D is hydrogen, ~~or C_4 - C_{30} , preferably C_4 - C_{48} , alkyl,~~

~~a is zero or 1,~~

~~b, c, and d are zero, 1 or 2 and e is zero or 1, with the proviso that b and c are not simultaneously zero~~

and $a = 1$, $b = 0$, $c = 1$, $d = 1$, and $e = 0$.

2. (cancelled)
3. (currently amended) The process of waxing a ski lubricant as claimed in claim 1, which is ski wax comprising the step of applying the lubricant according to Claim 1 to a surface of the ski.
4. (currently amended) The lubricant as claimed in claim 1, in the form of a A solid, a solution or a dispersion comprising the lubricant according to Claim 1.

5. (currently amended) The lubricant ~~as claimed in claim 1~~ according to Claim 1, further comprising at least one second lubricant further fluorinated or nonfluorinated lubricants.
6. (new) The process of reducing the friction of a solid surface comprising the step of coating the solid surface with the lubricant according to Claim 1.
7. (new) The lubricant according to Claim 1, wherein A is a C₁ – C₁₈ alkylene.
8. (new) The lubricant according to Claim 1, wherein B is a saturated or unsaturated monocyclic or polycyclic hydrocarbon having 3 to 18 carbon atoms.
9. (new) The lubricant according to Claim 5, wherein the at least one second lubricant is fluorinated or nonfluorinated.
10. (new) A ski wax comprising the lubricant according to Claim 1.